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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 7 and Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to health insurance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2355(a)(3), is amended by inserting in the first sentence after "government" and before the comma the following: "including TennCare, Medicaid or a waiver program".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2355, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) Health benefit plans, including managed care companies that contract with TennCare, shall reimburse non-participating providers their usual and customary charges for emergency services to enrollees.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.